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Food and Drug Administration
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Re. Docket Numbers:
98N-1230; 96P-0418; 97PI-0197

Dear Sirs:

I write to request a ban on the forced molting of hens in the egg production industry, as this has been shown to seriously compromise the immune systems of the animals, exposing them to much increased risk of infections such as salmonella, which risk is then passed on to the consumers of their eggs. I do not wish to be unknowingly exposed to such unhealthy food as a consumer in restaurants or as a purchaser from markets. Nor do I wish to support such an extreme of cruelty in the name of increased profit.

I understand the FDA has authority to enforce a ban on such farm practices that impact public health, and has been petitioned in April 1998 to ban the aforesaid forced molting practice. I hereby request that that petition be granted forthwith.

Sincerely,

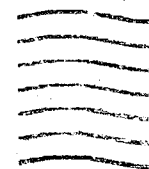
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